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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Supplemental Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Currently amended): A composite flooring material consisting essentially of comprising:

a. a foam sheet comprising polyolefin foam sheet;

b. a first film comprising polyolefin film heat-laminated to a first surface of the foam sheet; and

c. a second film comprising polyolefin film heat-laminated to a second surface of the foam sheet, wherein at least one edge of the second film extends beyond a corresponding edge of the foam sheet.

Claim 2 (Original): The composite material of Claim 1 wherein the foam sheet comprises polyethylene.

Claim 3 (Currently amended): The composite material of Claim 2 wherein the foam sheet comprises is selected from the group consisting of a low density polyethylene, a medium density polyethylene, or and a high density polyethylene.

Claim 4 (Original): The composite material of Claim 1 wherein the foam sheet has a density of between about 1 and about 8 pounds/ft³.

Claim 5 (Original): The composite material of Claim 1 wherein the foam sheet has a thickness of between about 0.001 and about 2 inches.

Claim 6 (Original): The composite material of Claim 1 wherein the first film has a thickness of not more than about 0.001 inches.

Claim 7 (Original): The composite material of Claim 6 wherein the first film has a thickness of between about 0.0003 inches and about 0.00075.

Claim 8 (Canceled)

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Claim 9 (Previously presented): The composite material of Claim 1 wherein the first film comprises polyethylene.

Claim 10 (Original): The composite material of Claim 9 wherein the first film comprises a compound selected from the group consisting of low density polyethylene, metallocene based polyethylene, medium density polyethylene, high density polyethylene, and biaxially oriented polypropylene.

Claim 11 (Canceled).

Claim 12 (Canceled).

Claim 13 (Original): The composite material of Claim 1 wherein the first film is stretchoriented in at least two directions.

Claim 14 (Original): The composite material of Claim 1 wherein the first film has an orientation ratio of at least about 2 in both of said at least two directions.

Claim 15 (Original): The composite material of Claim 1 wherein the second film has a thickness between about 0.001 inches and about 0.008 inches.

Claim 16 (Original): The composite material of Claim 15 wherein the second film has a thickness of about 0.002 inches.

Claim 17 (Canceled)

Claim 18 (Previously presented): The composite material of Claim 1 wherein the second film comprises polyethylene.

Claim 19 (Original): The composite material of Claim 18 wherein the second film comprises a low density polyethylene.

Claim 20 (Canceled).

Claim 21 (Canceled).

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Claim 22 (Original): The composite material of Claim 1 further comprising an adhesive positioned along at least a portion of said at least one edge of the second film that extends beyond the corresponding edge of the foam sheet.

Claim 23 (Original): The composite material of Claim 22 further comprising a release liner applied to the adhesive layer.

Claim 24 (Withdrawn): A method for making a composite material comprising the steps of:

a. adhering a first film to a first surface of a foam sheet; and

b. adhering a second film to a second surface of the foam sheet such that at least one edge of the film extends beyond a corresponding edge of the foam sheet.

Claim 25 (Withdrawn): The method of Claim 24 wherein the first and second films are heat laminated to the foam sheet.

Claim 26 (Withdrawn): The method of Claim 24 comprising the step of interposing a first bonding layer between the first film and the foam sheet.

Claim 27 (Withdrawn): The method of Claim 24 comprising the step of interposing a second bonding layer between the second film and the foam sheet.

Claim 28 (Canceled)

Claim 29 (Previously presented): The composite of Claim 1 wherein the first and second films are stretch oriented in at least two directions.

Claim 30 (Previously added): The composite material of claim 29 further comprising an adhesive positioned along at least a portion of said at least one edge of the second film that extends beyond the corresponding edge of the foam sheet.

Claim 31 (Previously added): The composite material of claim 30 further comprising a release layer positioned over said adhesive.

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